



Nature Programs

Beautiful Buds and Bark

(Ages: 6 yrs to Adult)

A seasonal favorite! Come on out of hibernation and discover the woods without their leafy cover. We'll look for clues to trees in their bark, buds, and seeds. Dress warmly.

6225.201 Sun, Feb 26 3:00pm-4:15pm

1 Session at Motts Run Nature Center

\$4 City and Non-City Resident per person

Instructor: Linda Bailey

Registration has already begun

Winter Night Hike

(Ages: Adults & Kids - min. age 5)

Bundle up tight and come into the night...we'll sip a bit o' hot chocolate, then set out to explore the evening woods of late winter! Bring a flashlight, wear sturdy shoes with good traction, and dress warmly. Kids should be able to hike quietly for about a mile.

6331.304 Fri, Mar 10 7:00pm-8:00pm

1 Session each at Motts Run Nature Center

\$4 City and Non-City Resident

Instructor: Linda Bailey

Registration has already begun

Wilderness First Aid

(Ages: 14 yrs to Adult)

Scout leaders and outdoor recreation enthusiasts will learn valuable skills in this intense 12-hour, Wilderness First Aid course. Join a small group and an American Safety & Health Institute certified instructor at the Motts Run Nature Center. The course is designed for those leading short trips in relatively low-risk situations. (Does NOT include CPR. Participant will receive WILDERNESS First Aid certification.) Course meets half-day on Sunday. Bring a sack lunch and wear comfortable clothes! Fee includes \$22 Course Handbook.



2110.315 Sat Mar 11, 9am-5pm; Sun Mar 12, 1-5pm

2 Day Session at Motts Run Nature Center

\$70 City, \$88 Non-City Resident

Instructor: Tim Carpenter

Registration has already begun.

Wildflower Slide Show

(Ages: 12 yrs to Adult)

Enjoy a preview of the spring wildflowers coming soon to your own backyard! These slides, taken at Motts Reservoir, cover an array of bloomin' beauties, from bloodroot to bluets, toothwort to tulip poplar. Learn some keys to identification, natural history and flower lore...sure to be an enjoyable evening. Held in the Motts Nature Center.

6530.301 Thur, Mar 16 7:00pm-8:00pm

1 Session at Motts Run Nature Center

\$5 City and Non-City Resident

Instructor: Linda Bailey

Registration has already begun.



March of the Reptiles

(Ages: 3 to 15 yrs)

Henry "the Bugman" Michaloski is back with cages full of fun, including kid-friendly snakes, turtles, lizards, geckos, and a small alligator! Come learn about egg laying, hibernation and other habits of these scaly, often secretive animals. Always a hoot, Henry delights young and old alike with his wit, humor and "edutainment!"

6510.301 Mon, Mar 27 10:30am-11:15am

1 Session

\$5 per child City and Non-City Resident (no charge for adults)

Dorothy Hart Community Center

Instructor: Henry Michaloski

Registration has already begun.

Earth Day at Alum Spring

Saturday, April 22, 2006

10:00am - 4:00pm

(Raindate: April 23)

FREE! Come enjoy our Third Annual Event...

- 🌸 Wildflower and Bird Walks
- 🌸 Food Vendors
- 🌸 Environmental Booths
- 🌸 Games and Activities
- 🌸 Shuttle to Alum Spring Park
- 🌸 and MUCH MORE!!



Volunteers Needed!

EARTH DAY is co-sponsored by the City of Fredericksburg, the Friends of Alum Spring and the Rappahannock Sierra Club.

For more information: 372-1086, ext. 213

Wildflower Walk

(Ages: Adults & Kids - min. age 7)

An annual favorite is back in bloom! Come search for spring wildflowers on this gentle woodland walk. We'll be on alert for Jack-in-the pulpit, spring beauty, mayapple, the rhizomes of bloodroot and much more! Fun for adults and kids alike.

6310.301 Sun, Apr 23 3:00pm-4:00pm

1 Session at Motts Run Nature Center

\$4 per person City and Non-City Resident

Instructor: Linda Bailey

Registration begins: 2/21 City 2/28 Non-City

Nature Play For Preschoolers

(Ages: 4 & 5 years)

Kids, grab your favorite grown-up and come on down to the lake! We'll spend 5 mornings exploring the woods and waters of Motts Run Reservoir, learning about frogs bugs, trees, trails and much more!

Make new friends, enjoy a craft, a snack, a walk in the woods, and canoeing for our final class. Spring on down to sign up for this popular program before your spot is snatched up! Sorry, due to limited space, no siblings, please! For 4 and 5 year olds.



6210.301 Thur, Apr 27 - May 25 10:00am-11:30am

5 Week Session at Motts Run Nature Center

\$40 City; \$56 Non-City Resident

Instructor: Linda Bailey

Registration begins: 2/21 City 2/28 Non-City

Frog Walk!

(Ages: Adults & Kids - min. age 5)

Bullfrogs "bellowing," pickerel frogs "snoring," cricket frogs "clicking," and more, on this memorable night hike! We'll enjoy a cacophony of sound along the lakeshore at Motts Reservoir as these spring frogs tune up...bound to be a perfect evening. Great for all amphibian enthusiasts --old and young alike. Just bring a flashlight and wear boots or shoes you can get muddy.



6332.402 Fri, May 19 8:00pm-9:00pm

6332.403 Fri, June 2 8:15pm-9:15pm

1 Session each at Motts Run Nature Center

\$4 City and Non-City Resident (Adults & Kids PAY)

Instructor: Linda Bailey

Registration begins: 2/21 City 2/28 Non-City

Outdoor Summer Camps

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Camp Wildwood **Camp Hideaway**
Teen Adventure **Survivor Camp**

Registration begins: 3/28 City and 4/4 Non-CityRes.

Space is very limited for each camp!

Kids' Fishing Derby

at Motts Run Reservoir

Saturday, June 3, 2006

9:00am - Noon

FREE! Ages 4 - 16

(Raindate: June 4th)

Fishing, boat rental, games prizes, vendors, picnicking, hiking... fun for the entire family!

REGISTER at the event (7:30am - 10:30am)

VOLUNTEERS & SPONSORS NEEDED!!

For information, call Linda Bailey at 372-1086 ext. 213.

Sponsored by Fredericksburg Parks and Recreation and the Weekend Bassers.

Night Catfishing @ at Motts Reservoir

Bring your gear for bankfishing after hours!

Friday Nights, 8:30pm to 1:00am

May 12 & 26 July 7 & 21

June 9 & 23 Aug. 11 & 25

September 8 & 22

No pre-registration required. For more information, call Don Minor at Motts after April 1st: 786-8989.

Motts Run Nature Center

The Motts Run Nature Center will re-open to the public on weekends from 12pm - 5pm beginning **Saturday, April 1st!**

Check out displays, books, snake & **ORIENTEERING COURSE!!**



VOLUNTEER TRAINING!

If you enjoy nature and people, then you may want to consider serving as a Motts Run Nature Center Volunteer! You must be 16 years or older. Younger children may join their parents and make it a family affair. Call Linda Bailey to REGISTER at 372-1086, ext. 213. Training for NEW volunteers: **Tuesday March 21, 4:00 - 6:15pm**